

## **IN RECOGNITION OF "DEACON ROOSEVELT MCGRUDER"**

WHEREAS, Deacon McGruder is a native of the Richmond county area where he attended three area schools, C. T. Walker, A .R. Johnson, and graduating from Lucy Craft Laney in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Deacon McGruder has been the owner and operator of McGruder & Sons Auto Repair since 1972. His expertise in auto repairs through training in air conditioning, auto technician, auto computer and management classes has insured quality service to the CSRA; and

WHEREAS, He has served faithfully as Chairman of the Deacon Board and President of the Walnut Grove Baptist Church choir for fifteen years, and has touched may lives with his love for Christ; and

WHEREAS, He is a gospel singer with the McGruder Brother's & Sister Gospel Group. This year marks twenty-three years of singing service for Christ; and

WHEREAS, Deacon McGruder is a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin and loyal friend. He is a man that cannot say "no"; and

WHEREAS, Deacon McGruder is a man of uncompromising integrity. He is a remarkable gospel singer and songwriter. His achievements are truly a reflection of his deep faith in God.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim August 4, 2002 to be "DEACON ROOSEVELT MCGRUDER DAY" and urge all citizens to recognize him for his contributions to the community.

In witness thereof, I have unto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this fourth day of August 2002.